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Friday, December 2, 2022 4:33 PM
Murphy, Edward J. (TAX); Allerding, John
Cc: Camisha Simmons; Bauer, Morris S.; John Isbell

Subject: RE: Brickchurch

Attachments: Bay Point-Brickchurch - IRS Stipulation v.2 with two paras 5 - DOJ Tax redline

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Ted, I think we are all on the same page. We kept your language in paragraphs 1 and 2. Paragraph 4 is also okay. We put back the language in paragraph 5, "provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall alter or otherwise amend the DIP Order or the terms thereof." We also cannot use word "indirectly," for a number of reasons, the most obvious is that she does benefit from payment of mechanic's liens, etc. I would have left the "direct" in there, but then I think it takes away. I can assure you that the Stipulation makes plain that Louise is getting nothing in her pocket, and Bay Point will tell you it won't allow it in any event. Please get back to me ASAP.

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Does this do it? I added back the language that we need in paragraphs 1 and 2 that you keep taking out. I slightly changed paragraph 4 to have it make sense. The big change is in paragraph 5, which I think represents significant movement on our end and I hope you will entertain. I deleted your new paragraph 6 because we think this needs to be ordered by the judge.

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Please give me 20 minutes, I have a revised paragraph 5 that might work.

From: Messinger, Brett L. <BLMessinger@duanemorris.com>

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Brickchurch

I am sorry, Ted, but this matter is too urgent to allow additional time. You IRS liens put in jeopardy the financing; and still expose the estate to tens of millions of dollars in equity if the USA does not play quickly.

My proposed language is fully and absolutely consistent with the court's direction. Yours is not. Please reconsider allowing my language (I also defined the term parties, and added a paragraph 6, which makes the stipulation immediately effective). I have attached the stipulation; and if you agree, I will remove your proposed language. If not, please provide your position in the letter by 2 p.m. If you do not, I will be submitting it without your input and revised the such that is only states my position.

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<john@jfi-law.com> **Subject:** RE: Brickchurch

Good morning. I have run this through my management chain, and I will need to look further at some other potential options that may break our impasse. That will require consultation with people on the IRS side who are not available

today. Can I please get back with you about this matter on Monday? I realize you are in a hurry but I'm not going to be able to stipulate to anything today.

From: Messinger, Brett L. < BLMessinger@duanemorris.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 2:59 PM

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Brickchurch

Okay – Here is the stipulation with the differing paragraphs, along with my letter to Judge Trust. In that letter, I left a place for you to put in your position. Please do so, and I will get the letter submitted (subject to me changing/altering my language after seeing yours). Thanks, Ted!

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<<u>john@jfi-law.com</u>> **Subject:** RE: Brickchurch

If we're in agreement on paragraphs 1-3 (as phrased in the latest version I sent) and the only disagreement is paragraph 4, then why not submit the parties' different versions of paragraph 4 and have the judge resolve it, as he suggested we could do at vesterday's hearing?

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Brickchurch

Ted, the continued problem with your language is that we do not agree at this point that the IRS is entitled to the payment or that Louise is responsible for it. As a matter of practicalities, we have to deal with the Tax Liens, and we will talk to you about a resolution, but we are not agreeing to pay them at this point. Being said, the IRS has rights that can be pursued, as does Louise. We are trying to maintain the status quo. My language did that absolutely. We have capitulated to your side, by agreeing to not allow for any disbursement to Louise. Please reconsider the language I proposed.

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There were some changes we had to paragraphs 1 and 2 that didn't make it into your latest version and that we've added back in. We also prefer a broader version of paragraph 4. Please see attached.

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Changes are fine. Ted, are you okay with this?

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Thanks, Brett. Please see my attached limited comments. I just want to make it crystal clear that we can make the distributions previously approved by the DIP Order without running afoul of this Stipulation.

Thanks,

John

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CAUTION EXTERNAL EMAIL

Good morning, Ted,

Louise WILL agree that she will receive nothing from the proceeds of the loan, and I have made that clear on the attached. I left in redline the language to that effect, and also a clean version that we can execute if agreeable. I have also copied counsel for Bay Point to make sure they are good too.

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Here's a revised version that may hopefully be a bit more palatable to you. Let me know, thanks.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Brickchurch

Edward,

I think the attached meets what we were both talking about. Let me know if okay to finalize and affix your signature.

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I believe the stipulation that I have proposed achieves what you are looking for. If you have any changes to propose, please let me know.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Brickchurch

Edward,

We need an order or agreement today that the liens will be removed on Brickchurch – you can keep for now the other ones against the Aberdeen property.

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Here are our proposed changes to the stipulation. Given that we are unlikely to nail this all down before the hearing at 11:30, I think we can just tell the judge that we are working on a stip but don't have a final agreement on the text yet.

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Please consider the attached.

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Here's what I filed. Let me know if you want a few minutes to read it over before we talk again. I should be in office for another hour or so.

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Hi, I will be representing the IRS at tomorrow's motion hearing and filing a response this afternoon. I received an email forward from the US Attorney's Office indicating that you had reached out.

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